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<u>Amendments to the Claims:</u> This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method of processing metal parts and the like-by blanking, the method comprising the steps of: performing a first blanking step on a semi-finished product in order to produce a blanked semi-finished product, and performing a subsequent processing of the blanked semi-finished product to produce a final product, wherein the first blanking step is performed leaving an allowance on the blanked semi-finished product, and in the subsequent processing comprises at least one second blanking step by which the allowance is removed from the blanked semi-finished product. and prior to the first blanking step, the step of coining of the semi-finished product to produce a coined semi-finished product, and the coined semi-finished product comprises at least a first pair of locating appendages for locating the coined semi-finished product on a die in order to perform the first blanking step, and the coined semi-finished product comprises a second pair of locating appendages, the first pair being removed during the first blanking step and the second pair being removed during the second blanking step.
- 2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 in which the allowance has a thickness of between 0.1 and 1.0 mm.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 2 in which the allowance has a thickness of between 0.20 and 0.25 mm.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 in which the subsequent processing comprises a tumbling step after the second blanking step.
  - 5. (Cancelled)
  - (Cancelled)
  - 7. (Cancelled)
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 71 in which the second pair of locating appendages is positioned on surfaces of the semi-finished product which are to be processed further after the second blanking step and/or which are not in view upon completion of the processing.

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- 9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 in which the final product is a portion of a spectacle frame.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 in which the metal of the semi-finished product is selected from brass, nickel silver, and aluminum.